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made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The references now cited are the following:

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Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



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